

Miss Riordan Dead.

Miss Katherine Riordan died last Friday morning at the home of her parents in this city, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Riordan. She had been in failing health for sometime. She was a faithful member of the Catholic church. The funeral was preached by Father J. J. Dillon, interment in the Catholic cemetery. Scores of friends extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Fine Chickens Win.

W. T. Wilkerson of Mexico also won some ribbons on fine chickens he exhibited at the Vandalia Poultry Show. He won first and second on cockerel and first, second and third on pullet in White Crested Black Polish class; second on cockerel, first, second and third on pullet in Hand class, and special on third prize Buff Rock Cockerel.

James Saunders Dead.

James Saunders died at his home in this city Wednesday night of last week. He had been ill for some time with liver trouble. He formerly kept hotel here.

The wife survives him and three children, as follows: Carl, of St. Louis; Pearl and Mrs. J. A. Darnaby of this city. Elds. W. H. Hook and W. M. White held funeral service Friday.

W. N. Maxwell at Thompson lost a fine mare a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayes of Thompson expect to move soon to Phelps county to reside.

Mrs. N. S. Johnston of Worcester is visiting her daughter in this city, Mrs. P. E. Coil.

Emmett Davis of Morganville, Kansas, is here on a visit to his parents, Prof. and Mrs. S. T. Davis.

Mrs. A. Hutcherson is reported very sick with erysipelas.

Clarence Tully of Vandalia left a suit of clothes tied in a bundle on the seat at the Wabash passenger station in this city Tuesday and made a trip up town. When he returned a thief had carried off his clothes.

An Odd Fellows lodge is to be organized at Rowena, 34 names having been secured as charter members.

Eld. W. H. Hook of this city preached the funeral of Mrs. Maggie Hutcherson who died at Vandalia a few days ago.

Clarence A. Barnes of this city returned last week from Washington, D. C., where he was admitted to practice in the U. S. Supreme court.

Coleman Elliott has our thanks for a renewal favor.

R. T. Byrns advances his subscription date one year. His mother, Mrs. Ida Byrns, on R. F. D. 3, five or six miles out, celebrated her 70th birthday last Saturday. She expects to move to Mexico in a short time and will reside with her son here, Sam Byrns.

A. L. Lipp, west of Molino, was in a few days ago and gave us an interesting interview and renewed for the paper. He is feeding a load of cattle for the mid-summer market. Also feeding a half car load of hogs, for which he was offered \$5.75 the other day.

T. T. Basnett has our thanks for renewal subscription.

Milt Householder sends the MESSAGE to his daughter, Miss Madge, who is at Rock Island, Texas, for the benefit of her. We hope she may be able to return soon fully restored to her old-time self.

Gov. H. S. Hadley has appointed W. T. Keith coal oil inspector of Mexico.

Will H. Morris, who had been sick so long with typhoid fever, is able to be up.

A. B. Hale is chief clerk at the big auction sale now going on at Morris & Abbey's store.

Attend Morris & Abbey's auction sale if you want bargains.

Odd Fellows Install.

The local lodge of I. O. O. F. installed the following officers last Thursday night.

J. W. Squires, N. G.
Frank McCord, V. G.
A. M. Owen, Rec. Sec.
H. L. Miller, Fin. Sec.
H. Precht, Treas.
E. K. Hulen, War.
C. L. Staples, Con.
A. R. Larkin, Chap.
T. L. Riley, R. S. N. F.
B. A. Powell, L. S. N. G.
A. J. Tribble, R. S. V. G.
William Jackson, L. S. V. G.
Henry Marshall, R. S. S.
Walter Squires, L. S. S.
Bud Marshall, I. G.
W. W. Canterbury, O. G.

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1909, J. C. McGee will have a public sale of stock and farm implements at his farm near Hollensville, 14 miles northwest of Mexico.

Verdict Against Asbury.

Elijah Asbury and a man named Cook met at the Mexico opera house about two weeks since and it is alleged that Cook ask Asbury to change a \$20 bill. Asbury, it is charged, offered to take the bill and get it changed, but when he got the money he never returned with any change. In Justice Stallings' court last Saturday Asbury was fined \$50 and sentenced to six months in jail.

For Rural Carriers.

S. M. Malone held a Civil Service examination in this city last Saturday to find new recruits for the rural mail route service of the county.

The following took the examination, John Yost, James Burch and G. E. Ferguson, of Laddonia; W. H. Leist, John Gordon, W. T. Spray, S. H. Taylor, Elmer Spray, and E. J. Saterly, of Vandalia.

Don't forget the auction sale at Morris & Abbey's \$6,000 worth merchandise. The best things will be last. Goods are selling very low.

Mrs. G. W. Covey enrolls as a subscriber for this paper for a year.

New Tailored Waists now on display.

FREDENDALL & WILKINS.

Mrs. R. N. Armstrong renews for the MESSAGE.

G. M. Herold, at Sunnyside, Wash., is a new reader of this paper.

Mrs. Arthur Croft of Gant neighborhood is reported very ill.

Wm. Haps of Gant has traded for property in Mexico and is arranging to move here.

Miss Lyda Martin Married.

Miss Lyda Martin, daughter of Mrs. Florence Martin of this city, was married last Friday to Mr. W. F. Atkins of east St. Louis, Rev. C. A. Mitchell officiating. The groom is well known here. We wish him and his young bride prosperity and a happy future.

Felix Arnold of Monitou Oklahoma made a business visit to this city last week. He formerly lived here. He is prospering in Oklahoma and likes the country.

Mrs. Robert Johnson of this city has been the guest of Mrs. X. P. Wilfley of St. Louis.

R. A. Boyd, near Champ, will have a public sale of his stock and farm implements Tuesday, January 26.

Wm. Kemper, Jr., in sneezing a few days ago, burst a blood vessel and he has been very ill as a result.

Take a look at the New Spring Goods now on display at

FREDENDALL & WILKINS.

Judge Barnes Hurt.

Judge Baker Barnes, north of Thompson, was thrown from a horse a few days ago and seriously hurt, so that he has been confined to his bed. We trust that he will recover all right.

We are glad to enroll Mrs. H. F. Neely as a new subscriber for the MESSAGE.

Mrs. X. P. Ball Dead.

This community was shocked last Friday morning to hear of the death of Mrs. X. P. Ball of this city. She recently underwent an operation for a carbuncle on her neck and blood poison set in.

Deceased was a native of Ohio and came to this State about 25 years ago. She was 44 years of age. She was a faithful member of the Methodist church. The funeral was held at the home Saturday, conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. M. Aker, assisted by Rev. Betz of Moberly; interment in the city cemetery.

The husband survives her and one child, Miss Lula Ball, besides the following step-children: Archie Ball of Stoughtonville and Mrs. Emma Armstrong of Bakersfield, Calif. She was a good woman and many friends will be pained to hear of her death.

L. Amos Harris, west of Martinsburg, was in town a day or two ago and hands us a big round wheel on renewal.

New Spring Goods arriving daily. Call and see them.

FREDENDALL & WILKINS.

Miss Julia Arnold, and Mr. Bradford H. Brett of Boston, Mass., will be married on the evening of the 10th of next month at the home of the bride's father in this city, Mr. R. R. Arnold. They expect to reside in this city. The groom to be is a traveling salesman and has often visited in Mexico.

Wm. Erisman Hurt.

Wm. Erisman, east of this city, was badly injured Monday by a load of baled hay turning over on him. He was driving down hill when the accident occurred. It is earnestly hoped he will recover all right.

Don't forget the auction sale at Morris & Abbey's store. \$6,000 worth of merchandise will be sold by order of Probate Court. Every day to commence at 1 o'clock and at 7 o'clock p.m.

Mrs. Robert Allison remains very ill.

J. H. Sallee is confined at his home afflicted with carbuncles.

Robert Menefee of Perry visited relatives in this city this week.

\$3.30 \$3.30 \$3.30

Mexico to Kansas City, Mo., and return via Chicago & Alton R. R. Sold Jan. 22 to 28 with return until Feb. 1, 1909. For full particulars inquire of

E. F. Mathews, Tkt. Agt. C. & A. R. R., Mexico, Mo. Until Jan. 27th.

Eld. Harboard, County Evangelist, is to give one Sunday in each month to the church at Rush Hill.

A big rabbit hunt was indulged in at Santa Fe one day last week. Two bands went out, one headed by Marvin Snider and the other by George Penke. Snider's side came out nearly 400 rabbits ahead; altogether 2,455 rabbits were brought in.

Robert Painter was called to Wellsville first of the week on account of the illness of his mother at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Gari Sims left this week for a trip thru Oklahoma, Texas, California and other Western states.

FOR SALE.

Our stock of General Merchandise, situated in a good stock and grain country, and one of the best locations in the county to sell goods, consisting of two store buildings, one dwelling, 23 1/2 acres of land, two barns. Good reasons for selling.

Barnes & Scherer, Worcester, Mo.

Miss Julia Faires of Laddonia has returned home after a visit to her grandparents here, Mr and Mrs. J. V. Faires.

C. M. Phillips and H. W. Butler of Pontiac, Ill., are now the proprietors of the Play House in this City.

Wm. McCredie, well remembered in this city, a cousin of R. S. McKinney here, died suddenly in Kansas City a few days ago. The body was taken to Callaway county for burial.

The directors of the Andrain County Fair Association expect to hold a meeting soon to arrange for the rebuilding of the amphitheater destroyed by fire last summer.

S. W. Sanford and family of Fort Collins, Colo., are here on a visit to relatives.

Miss Effie Griffin, formerly a resident of Mexico, a sister of Mrs. Gene Tomlinson here, died at her home in Fulton a few days ago.

Born, last Thursday night, to Mr. and Mrs. Burr Crawford of this city, a daughter.

Mrs. Wm. Barnett of this city continues in very poor health.

Public Sale.

Having sub-rented the Stimpert farm, I will sell at public sale on my farm, better known as the Zack Bodkin farm, 2 1/2 miles northwest of Benton City, and 4 miles east and 1 mile south of Mexico, on Wednesday, February 3, 1909, commencing at 10 o'clock A.M., the following described property, to-wit, 200 head of stock, as follows:

18 head of horses and mules, one span of bay mules, coming three year old; one span of black coming three year old; one span horse mules coming three year old; one span coming four year old; one span coming five year old; these mules have all been worked and are from 15 1/2 to 16 hands high. One coming two year old horse mule, will make a large one; two suckling mare mules; one good work horse, ten years old; one bay filly coming three years old, highly bred road stock, sire Carlisle and dam is Amboy; two yearling black horse colts; good ones; one blind mare five years old, a good worker.

One Shorthorn cow five years, fresh in April.

Sheep, 100 head of good ewes, will bring lambs early.

85 head of hogs: 40 head of stock hogs, weight 160 lbs.; 20 head fat hogs, if not sold before day of sale; one sow and six pigs; 15 or 20 shoats.

Farming implements: 2 farm wagons, 2 eleven foot lever harrows, 1 sixteen inch walking plow, 1 one-horse plow, 1 six foot McCormick mower, 1 lawn mower, 1 sulky hay rake, 1 triumph sulky plow, sixteen inch, 1 three section roller, 2 good sets leather work harness, 1 White washer, nearly new.

Terms: \$10 and under cash; over \$10 six months time with bankable note with 8 per cent interest.

Lunch will be served.

J. C. BEASLEY.

J. G. Ford, Auctioneer.

Mrs. J. A. Guthrie is home from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. X. P. Wilfley of St. Louis.

Mrs. L. M. White returned this week from a two weeks' visit in Columbia.

The Wednesday Club yesterday held an interesting meeting with Mrs. D. A. McMillan. Russian history during the reign of Catherine II was the hour's lesson. Following Mrs. [Llewellyn] gave a fifteen minutes talk on the historian, Karamsin. Mrs. Dearing gave a sketch of the life of the Princess Potocki and Miss Abbie Llewellyn of the Princess Dashkof. Mrs. L. M. White gave a talk on the renowned painter of Arctic scenes Barisoff. Mrs. W. W. Botts had a fund of information in her subject of "Domestic Customs". The club will meet again with Mrs. McMillan next week.

FORMER MEXICANS GO TO UTAH.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sanderson, and little son of Carthage, Mo., were the guests of friends and relatives here Sunday. They will in a few days go to Salt Lake City, Utah to reside, where Mr. Sanderson has a lucrative position as manager for a large wholesale cigar establishment. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson formerly lived here.

Miss Lou DeTienne, of Vandalia, is in the city on court business, being a witness in a lawsuit from the east end of the county.

Jas. Wilkins is here from Austin, Texas, the guest of relatives. Mr. Wilkins is pleased with his home in the Lone Star state.

"OUR RESOURCES"

ADDRESS OF HON. C. F. CLARK AT BUSINESS MEN'S BANQUET LAST THURSDAY EVENING.

Mr. Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I heartily congratulate the Business Men's Association of Mexico in the great advancement they have made during the past year. When you last met to celebrate a function of this nature, your wives and sweethearts were absent but tonight they are with you to adorn with their smiles and graces this festive occasion. I understand you have added to your membership during the year a minister of the gospel, a spiritual adviser, and if you follow his teaching you will receive lasting benefits.

In regard to the toast to which I am to respond, "Our Resources," I know of no way that I can more forcefully present them than to call your attention to what has been spread before us tonight, "to see and to taste" are said to be the most convincing arguments used by man.

As to our little city which occupies a most enviable position, geographically; it is second to none of its size in the state.

The various occupations and industries of our city are carried on in a business like manner by by honorable and capable men and our schools are a credit to the community.

Hardin College is the best female school west of the Mississippi river. President Million is here and will bear testimony to this. The Missouri Military Academy leads the state. Ask Col. Fonville. Our schools, grade and high, are to the front, as Prof. Hawthorne has aptly said here tonight. "The tardy bell has never rung on them," and we truly hope it never will. Our public roads over the county are being much improved and our paved streets are first-class, according to the testimony of our city council, but when we come to our sewerage system it is the best in the wide, wide world. I will bear testimony to that.

Our fire clay deposits, which have been discussed by a former speaker, I consider one of the most valuable resources we have in our county, which we understand, are of a superior quality and almost inexhaustable and would furnish fifty thousand men with profitable employment. Our county contains more than 433,000 acres of productive land capable of producing anything that grows in this latitude, of either fruit, vegetable or grain and one half of the acreage planted in corn or sown in wheat and handled in a husbandlike manner would bring a return at present prices of \$5,000,000.

In concluding my remarks on "Our Resources," I call to mind at our last banquet after the great American bird and other edible had disappeared, that meeting resolved itself into a legislative body and the Mexico Fire Clay and Brick plant was taken up, put on its feet and sent on the road of prosperity. It is now doing a thriving business and has become one of the city's valued enterprises.

Legislative bodies often when they have important matters to consider, resolve themselves into a committee of the whole and if their deliberations continue very long, it is customary for someone to make the motion to rise, report progress and ask to sit again. Such a motion was not made at that meeting and instead my friend and neighbor, Mr. Worrell, in response to the toast, "Our Guests," gave us a most beautiful word painting of the numerous blessings that had been showered on him and his wife in the golden haired, bright eyed hopefuls that had come in rapid succession to their home. He said sweet prattles and childish love had strengthened him in the battle of life. He closed his eloquent address with prophecy that my good wife and I were soon to enjoy the same blessings.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I copy the old legislative form. I rise, report, progress and ask to sit again.

MORRIS, THE GROCER, INSTALLS NEW SHOW-CASES

Fred A. Morris, the Grocer, has installed new show-cases throughout his store which are of the latest design and are works of art. The cases are made entirely of plate glass with a polished granite base. Mr. Morris will also install a new plate glass refrigerator and rearrange his office in the store later on.

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